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Social and Personal

The prettiest wedding of the summer season was celebrated yesterday evening at "Meadow Brook," the country estate of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fox Jeffers, near Drewry's Bluff, when their niece, Miss Minerva Haskins, became the bride of Thompson Kingsford, of Owego, N. Y. It was an al fresco affair and the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Russell Bowie, rector of St. Paul's Church at 6:30 o'clock, took place in the garden of the Jeffers place. The garden is one of the loveliest spots imaginable and just now is full of wonderful flowers in bloom, making a charming background for the bride and her attendants. The ceremony was held immediately following the ceremony. A stringed orchestra played during the evening.

The bride's wedding gown was an exquisite affair, fashioned of white chiffon and built over duchesse satin, finished with rare old lace and crystal embroidery. Her long veil of illusion fell from a cap of real lace and was caught to the train of her gown with orange bosoms. She carried a presentation bouquet of white roses and lilacs of the valley. Mr. Jeffers gave his niece away. Miss Virginia Haskins, who was her sister's maid of honor, wore a gown of palest pink chiffon tulle made with a chiffon coat and carried American Beauty roses. Her hat was of tulle and was trimmed with roses. Alanson Page, of Owego, N. Y., was the groom's best man.

The bridesmaids were Misses Cora Younger, of Richmond; Kingsford, Higgins and Land, of New York. They wore quaint costumes similar to that of the maid of honor, of pale pink tulle with coats of pale blue chiffon tulle and fetching little bonnets of tulle trimmed in garden flowers. They carried armfuls of Killarney roses. The groomsmen were Messrs. Mott, of Owego, N. Y.; Warren Sisson, of New York; Robert M. Jeffers, of this city.

The hundred and fifty guests were present. The wedding is one of the most prominent of the year and a great many distinguished guests from a distance attended the ceremony yesterday.

At the Country Club.
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clusive. Some of the best men and women players in America will contest these games will be close and interesting and a large number of members will attend them. On Thursday June 13, the club will give its annual June reception. There will be orchestra music on the lawn during the afternoon, and in the clubhouse at night for informal dancing. Light refreshments will be served from 6 to 9 o'clock. Society people and numerous guests from a distance will be present at this reception and also to witness the tennis matches in the afternoon, and the Country Club will be probably the most interesting gathering place in town that week.

Robertson-Bowles.
Society in Richmond is much interested in the celebration of the wedding of Miss Lucy Bowles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson Bowles, and Alexander Stuart Robertson, which takes place in Staunton this evening at 9 o'clock. The ceremony, which will be performed by the Rev. Robert C. Jett, will take place at Emmanuel Church in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends.

Mr. Bowles will give his daughter away, and she will be attended by her sister, Miss Marie Ellis Bowles, as maid of honor. Archibald A. Robertson will be his brother's best man. The groomsmen will include Virginia Randolph, of Staunton; of Orange; Armistead Doble, of the University of Virginia; J. W. H. Milson and Alex. Robertson, of Staunton.

A number of Richmond people have gone to Staunton to be present at the ceremony this evening.

Lexington Wedding.
Another interesting out-of-town wedding took place yesterday, when Miss Rachel Bowles, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Robert Bowles, was married to Mulford Stough, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Stough, of Pennsylvania. The ceremony took place at 6 o'clock yesterday evening at the Presbyterian Church at Lexington, with Dr. J. K. Howerton, assisted by Dr. Alfred T. Graham, officiating. The church was banked with palms and white flowers and lighted by tall Cathedral candles.

The bride entered the church with her father, who gave her away. Her wedding gown was an exquisite affair of chintilly lace and white satin and her train was of white tulle. She was attended by her sister, Miss Anna Howerton, as maid of honor, and Misses Mary Howerton, Helen Stough, of Pennsylvania; of Lexington; Harry Moran, of Wyndol, W. Va.; and S. B. Harper, of Fort Smith, Ark. Little Josephine Howerton was ring bearer.

A reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents. The bride and groom and out-of-town guests. The house was decorated with June roses. Mr. and Mrs. Stough left at once for a wedding journey. The groom is a graduate of Washington College, Lexington, and is a member of the firm of Thrush & Stough, carriage manufacturers, in Shenandoah, Pa.

Guests from a distance attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. W. Stough, Miss Helen Stough, Mrs. Mary A. Nooker, of Shenandoah, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hesser, Miss Anne Rose Cohn, Miss Nellie Elliott, Mrs. Edward Smith, Mrs. M. C. F. Hesser, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. E. Preston, Mrs. T. J. Jackson, Miss Janie Fox, of Charlottesville, N. C.

Concert Postponed.
The concert which was to have been given by Miss Polly Robins at the Woman's Club next Tuesday evening has been postponed until the first week in October of the coming fall. The concert has been postponed until the fall season owing to the very hot weather.

Arrived at Bremen.
Mrs. William E. Hatcher, who is now at Bryn Mawr University with her daughter in attendance at the finals of that college, has just received a cablegram announcing the safe arrival of her daughter, Miss Edith Hatcher, at Bremen. Mrs. Hatcher went to New York to see her daughter off last month, and has been visiting in Germany in the North ever since. Miss Hatcher will spend the summer months studying music abroad.

Home Wedding.
On Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock Miss Myrtle Ellis Koch was married to William Travis Smith, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Koch, of East Richmond. The simple ceremony was performed by the Rev. Frank G. Wells, pastor of Broad Street Methodist Church. Owing to a recent bereavement in the bride's family, the wedding was very quietly celebrated, and the company present was limited to the immediate families of the bride and groom.

The bride is a musician of unusual attainment, being titled the position of organist at Broad Street Church until her marriage. She wore a smart traveling suit of tan cloth, with a hat to match, and carried a shower bouquet of lilacs of the valley. Mr. Smith is the nephew of the late George M. Smith, of this city. He is manager of the Smithfield Business College here.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left immediately after the ceremony for a Southern wedding trip, and will make their home in this city after June 15.

Returned to Richmond.
Mrs. Claude M. Dean, after spending several weeks at the Battery Park Hotel, in Asheville, has returned to the city. Many entertainments were given in honor of Mrs. Dean while in Asheville.

Miss Mattie B. Turpin has returned to the city after a visit to relatives in Atlanta, Ga. The object of her trip was to attend the marriage of her cousin, Miss Anne Lowry Brown, to William Turner Whitman. Miss Brown is the youngest daughter of A. Beale Brown, formerly of Kings William county, Va.

Grigg-Earnest.
The marriage of Miss Etta Austin Earnest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Earnest, and Crawford Field Grigg, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Grigg, of Jarratt, took place yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, 605 East Franklin Street. Dr. George Booker, of Petersburg, performed the ceremony. The house was decorated with white flowers and palms, and Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was played as the bride and groom entered. The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. Russell Bowie, rector of St. Paul's Church, presiding at the piano.

The bride wore a traveling suit of king's blue silk, with a hat to match, and carried a shower bouquet of lilacs of the valley. She was attended by her father, Miss Hilma Goodwin, who was the bride's maid of honor, was crowned in pale pink messaline. Mrs. W. A. Collins, a sister of the bride, was matron of honor and wore a gown of blue and white. The groom, Charles Grigg, was his brother's best man.

An informal reception was given by the bride's mother on Tuesday evening

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after the rehearsal. The house was decorated in shades of pink flowers. Guests from a distance included Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Spicer, of Norfolk; Charles Grigg, of Rocky Mount, N. C.; Miss Estelle Grigg, of Jarratt, E. C. Grigg, of Petersburg; Miss Sue Robison, of Petersburg.

Invitations Out.
Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Tallafiero Wellford have issued invitations for the marriage of their sister, Miss Charlotte Thomas, the ceremony to take place on Tuesday evening, June 18, at half-past 7 o'clock, in the First Presbyterian Church, in Newport News. The bride-elect has a number of relatives and friends in this city, who will go to Newport News to attend her wedding.

Commencement Recital.
The Richmond Violin School held its commencement recital last night at 8:15 o'clock in the auditorium of the John Marshall High School. The program was a very attractive one, and the pupils gave an excellent recital. J. H. Donahue is director of the school.

Murdock-Bass.
A very pretty wedding took place yesterday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bass, 2309 Semmes Avenue, South Richmond, when their daughter, Miss Martha Elise Bass,

was married to George Franklin Murdock. The house was decorated for the occasion with palms and pink and white flowers and lighted with many candles. Suspended from an arch of pink carnations was a huge white wedding bell, under which the ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. W. Gibson, of Broadus Memorial Church, and the Rev. Ira D. S. Knight, of Woodland Heights Baptist Church. Mrs. Fannie K. Murdock played the "Wedding March" from "Lohengrin" at the entry of the bride party.

The ribbons were held by six little girls. The bride was crowned in traveling suit of champagne-colored whipcord, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a bouquet of white roses. Richard Bowie Murdock, of Lynchburg, was the groom's best man. Miss Evelyn Jeanette Ryland was maid of honor and wore a gown of point d'esprit made over white messaline, and carried a shower bouquet of pink roses. The girls holding the ribbons were Misses Lucile Clark, Laura Pinchbeck, Laura Gwaltney, Hester Stuart, Elizabeth Stuart and Lucile Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdock left at once for a Northern wedding trip and will be at home after June 15. Among the out-of-town guests were Misses Essie and Nellie Lee, of Crooke; Miss Edith Winfree, of Drewry's Bluff; Mrs. Fannie K. Murdock, of Trinidad, Col.; Bowie Murdock, of Lynchburg, and Miss M. Bass, of Rice.

Quiet Wedding.
A quiet wedding took place yesterday evening at half-past 7 o'clock at St. Peter's rectory. Rev. Father Schmidt performed the ceremony, when Miss Emilie Zelus, daughter of Mrs. Regina Zelus, became the bride of William N. Gregory, son of Mr. Lena Gregory. There were no attendants, and only the immediate families were present at the ceremony. The bride wore a traveling suit of blue serge, with hat and gloves of the same shade, and a corsage bouquet of Killarney roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory left at once for a Northern wedding trip, and a reception will be given in their honor on their return to Richmond.

Board Meeting.
The board of managers of the Sheltering Arms Free Hospital will meet to-day at 12 noon in the hospital. As this is the last meeting of the season, much business of importance will be discussed, and a full attendance is desired.

Summer Meeting.
The General Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities will hold their regular summer meeting in the rooms of the Virginia Historical Society Monday, June 10, at 11 A. M. This date commemorates the landing of the white men at the falls of the James River. All members are entitled to attend. There will be no formal invitations sent out.

Interesting Lecture.
Cameron Johnson will give a reception lecture in the Church of the Covenant, Park and Harrison Streets, on Friday evening, June 7, at 8 o'clock. His lecture will be not only entertaining, but of high educational value. Mr. Johnson has a surprising fund of information, and speaks from the sympathetic viewpoint of a keen observer. His illuminating comments being enhanced by a wealth of splendid views that are as nearly perfect as modern photography can make them.

Some of these are rare and costly. His pictures and addresses meet with cordial welcome everywhere he goes, and many of the pictures, particularly the moonlight scenes, have excited enthusiastic comment on the part of art critics. The time for the evening will be "The World's Greatest Nation," and is under the direction of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Church of the Covenant.

In and Out of Town.
Miss Sarah Hamilton left town last night to spend several weeks in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, who spent the spring in England, will sail for this country Saturday, and will go to their summer home on the coast of Maine.

Mrs. Sitterding and the Misses Sitterding, of Floyd Avenue, are in Washington to attend the graduation of William Sitterding at Georgetown University.

Miss Margaret Wadley is visiting Miss Louie Antrim at "Riverside," near the University of Virginia.

Miss Dudley Powers, of Flint, Mich., is a guest of Miss Anne Royall on West Franklin Street.

Miss Florine Kenney has returned to Charlottesville, after spending some time in this city.

Miss Alice Nelson is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Sparks Melton in Ghent, Norfolk, and will later go to Virginia Beach.

Misses Katie and Elsie Long have returned to the city, after a visit to Fredericksburg.

Miss Nellie Pryor Christian has returned to the city, after a week's visit to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cummins, of this city, are spending a few weeks in New York, Buffalo, Albany, West Point, Niagara Falls and Atlantic City.

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Russia and Austria Not Satisfied With Representatives Sent by France.

BY LA MARQUESE DE PONTENOY.

In order to understand the diplomatic unpleasantness which France has encountered lately from both Russia and Austria it must be explained that each of these empires has privately urged her, in the most pressing manner, to send to their respective courts an ambassador selected from the old aristocracy. France has been obliged to comply with this demand, and has sent to the Russian court a French envoy, M. Georges Sazonoff, a man whose colleagues, that the exclusiveness of society at Vienna and St. Petersburg renders the position of a French ambassador in those courts extremely awkward, no matter how estimable his personality. He finds himself at a great disadvantage compared with the ambassadors of the other two empires, who, by reason of their noble birth, find a ready entrance to those court circles and to that Grand Monde in which the leading Russian and Austrian statesmen live, move, and have their being.

Indeed, a bourgeois French Ambassador is subjected, together with his family, to social boycott, endured all the more marked by the fact that any well-born secretaries or attaches that he may have, are invited where he is excluded—which, of course, cannot but gravely impair the prestige of his mission, and his usefulness to his country.

This is the secret of the extraordinary demand made by the Russian and Austrian governments, through the minister of Foreign Affairs, Sazonoff, for the transfer from St. Petersburg, of the French envoy, M. Georges Sazonoff, a man who, conveyed through the Muscovite Ambassador at Paris, Baron Iawolsky, the Baron went so far as to intimate that the presence of Sazonoff at St. Petersburg was interfering with the sympathetic understanding between the two allies.

It seems that M. Louis and his wife, during the past season at St. Petersburg, have been invited to the reception of course to those official functions at which Louis's position as ambassador rendered his presence indispensable. In consequence, he cannot find an opportunity of seeing Monsieur Sazonoff and his colleagues socially, and establishing that friendly footing which is essential to the fulfillment of his diplomatic mission.

It follows that Ambassador Louis found himself exposed to charges on the part of Russia, to the effect that he was not doing his duty, and was in touch, and had misinterpreted, and even misunderstood, the communications made him by the Russian Foreign Office, for the French Government was the tone of the Russian request for Ambassador Louis's recall, that the French Government at first felt disposed to display resentment by refusing compliance. But realizing on second thoughts that the Franco-Russian alliance, upon which so much depends, might be endangered, and which Germany is extremely anxious to break, Premier Poincaré resolved to go in person to St. Petersburg in order to discuss the matter personally with the Czar, and the Emperor and Sazonoff, the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Whatever the outcome may be, M. Louis will have to go, his withdrawal being the more unpleasant to France, because his predecessor, M. Bompard, was withdrawn for similar reasons, at the instance of the Russian Government.

Bompard is now accredited to Stamboul, where he does not precisely tend to promote the interests of Russia, France's ally. Oddly enough, Georges Louis was sent to St. Petersburg, a recommendation from the late King Edward VII. M. Louis was for years the political director and Secretary of the French Legation at St. Petersburg, and was indeed the head of the permanent staff of the Foreign Office. As such, he had been assigned to the position of Ambassador to Russia, and wrote so pleasantly about him to his nephew, the Czar, that the latter accepted him as personal secretary. Sazonoff, so to have sufficiently considered the attitude and prejudices of St. Petersburg's Great World, of which he knew comparatively little, his visits there having been few and far between. Edward VII. was a good judge of men; but his advocacy of Georges Louis, I am afraid must be set down as one of his mistakes.

With regard to the French Embassy at Vienna, just vacated by M. Crozier, whose term of office has aged him considerably, and who insisted upon retaining France's vainly endeavoring to comply with Austria's pressing request for an Envoy, who as a member of the old French aristocracy, would have the entrée to the inner court circle and the inner circles at Vienna. There are plenty of old noble families left in France, but any member thereof is unwilling to represent the present government in European diplomatic circles, while those few who might consent to do so, are open to such suspicion of disloyalty to the republic, as to render their appointment neither politic nor possible.

The republic has already had one such experience—when the late Duke de La Rochefoucauld, during the decade following the Franco-German War, was sent to the Court of St. James, and made a nasty trip from London to Paris to cast his vote for his seat in the Chamber of Deputies, against the republic, and in favor of restoring the Monarchy.

He was a Grand seigneur of the old school, a man of great wealth, but so straight minded, that he was overwhelmed with surprise when the following week the republic asked him to resign his ambassadorship. In default of a nobleman, the French Government has therefore appointed to the Embassy at Vienna, a diplomat of the name of Dumaine, a bourgeois, but a man with thirty years service behind him—at Berlin, as Charge d'Affaires, and especially at Munich, as Minister plenipotentiary. The latter post was a general failure, and thanks to the intimate intercourse between the Austrian and Bavarian Courts and aristocracy, there is no doubt that he will be strongly resented in the Austrian position by the royal and noble friends whom he left at the old ones. The very manner in which he was obliged to resign, at Munich, has endeared him extremely to the Catholic court. For when shortly after the rupture of official relations between the Vatican and France, he, as a man of the diplomatic corps, and the Bavarian capital, in compliance with strict diplomatic usage, called upon the newly appointed Nuncio on his arrival, the anti-Clerical French administration, nevertheless censured his courtesy as indicative of clerical tendencies, and banished him, by way of disgrace, to the unpopular post of Mexico. Even that was eventually considered too small a punishment, and he was virtually shooed by appointment to membership in some unimportant commission in the Pyrenees.

Now he is receiving a post which in point of salary and appointments is

regarded as the blue ribbon of the French diplomatic service. (Copyright, 1912, by the Brentwood Company.)

Fredericks Hall News.

Fredericks Hall, June 5.—The farm property of Daniel Ward, "Engleside," situated in a half mile south of Fredericks Hall, has been sold to J. W. Emerson, of Canada. This property was formerly one of the many estates of the Pendletons. Mr. Emerson will move his family here in the near future.

W. M. Talley has recently sold his farm, three miles west of this place, to Lewis P. Christman, of Kentucky. W. A. C. Pettit has been appointed secretary of the Louisiana Farmers' Cooperative Association, to succeed F. V. R. Viers, who resigned on account of other duties which demanded his attention. Mr. Pettit is a real estate agent at this place.

Colonel Lee the Speaker.

Heathsville, Va., June 5.—The daughters of the Confederacy held one of their most successful reunions yesterday in Heathsville. An immense crowd was in attendance. Everything passed off most pleasantly. Colonel Robert E. Lee's address was loudly applauded and universally admired. Dr. T. S. D. Covington met Jim Coan Sunday and took him to Heathsville, from there he came to Heathsville.

Quite a number of veterans were present, and a dinner was served them and invited guest in the Masonic Hall, by the Daughters. Colonel Lee is the guest of C. Harding Walker for the present.

Carper—Jordan.
Bedford City, June 5.—A marriage of much interest took place at St. John's Episcopal Church this morning at 11:30 o'clock, when Miss Florrie Terry Jordan and Andrew Johnston Carper, a prominent young business man, were united. Rev. T. C. Page, rector of the church, officiating. The wedding march from Lohengrin was played by Miss Rosalie Smith, the organist, upon the entrance of the bride party and Mendelssohn's as they retired. Misses Bella Jordan, the sister of the bride, and Mary Oliver, the cousin, were the ribbon girls. They wore pretty costumes of white voile, white poke bonnets with wreaths of pink roses. The bridesmaids were Misses Mamie Johnson, Rowena Wing and Miss Annie Lee Carper, the sister of the groom. They were attired in gowns of white voile and wore picture hats of white with pink trimmings and

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The bride entered with her father, Henry Vincent Jordan, and was very charming in an elegant robe of white marquisette over white silk, with trimmings of lace, over which fell filmy folds the long veil of tulle, caught in position by sprays of orange blossoms. In her hand she carried a bouquet of Bride roses. She was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Charles W. Whalton, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carper left on the midday east bound train for a wedding journey. Upon returning they will be at home on Bedford Avenue.

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